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Designating the month of May 2005 as "National Drug Court Month".

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Biden (for himself, Mr. Sessions, and Mr. Coburn) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas drug courts provide the focus and leadership for community-wide, antidrug systems, bringing together public safety professionals and other community partners in the fight against drug abuse and criminality;
- Whereas the results of more than 100 program evaluations and at least 3 experimental studies have yielded definitive evidence that drug courts increase treatment retention and reduce substance abuse and crime among drug-involved adult offenders;
- Whereas the judges, prosecutors, defense attorneys, substance abuse treatment and rehabilitation professionals, law enforcement and community supervision personnel, researchers and educators, national and community leaders,

and others dedicated to the movement have had a profound impact within their communities; and

Whereas the drug court movement has grown from the 12 original drug courts in 1994 to 1,621 operational drug courts as of December 2004: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved, That the Senate—
- 2 (1) designates the month of May 2005 as "National Drug Court Month"; and
- 4 (2) encourages the people of the United States 5 and interested groups to observe the month with ap-6 propriate ceremonies and activities.

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